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A Letter From The President

But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere

2 Cor. 2:14 ESV

This summer has been one of the busiest on record for Bryan, and it is exciting to see God's hand of provision and direction as we enter a new decade. Dozens of changes are underway and it is exciting to see the entrance, softball field, and townhouses nearing completion.

One of the most gratifying moments this year came as Daniel Zimmerman gave the senior class commencement address. As you read a portion of his speech, you will sense the impact that Bryan has made on his mind and spirit as he is equipped to make a difference for Christ's Kingdom and engage a culture that has turned its back on our God.

As we continually seek ways to carry out Bryan's mission and encourage and empower students such as Daniel, we have made some exciting changes in our academic and student life structures that will begin this fall. Dr. Matt Benson has been promoted to Vice President for Spiritual Formation and leads a wonderful team that includes counseling and soul care, the Worldview Initiative, spiritual formation, and the worship arts. Our desire is to infuse spiritual formation intentionally into every aspect of college life.

Bruce Morgan is now dean of community life, and his office is now under the supervision of Vice President for Enrollment Management Michael Sapienza. This restructuring enables Enrollment Management to have a seamless influence on the total student life experience, from first contact with the college through graduation. Working throughout the campus, Dr. Peter Held is senior fellow for Christian worldview and professor of Christian thought and biblical studies. His new role enables him to work with our faculty and both our traditional and nontraditional students in understanding a biblical worldview.

Our new campus in Knoxville will be opening this summer, our first M.A. class in Christian Studies is underway in Chattanooga, and the number of our courses available online continues to grow. We are blessed with many dual-enrollment agreements with Christian high schools throughout the country, enabling a biblically based Bryan curriculum to be taught to juniors and seniors. These students will get a jump on their college education with courses taught through the lens of Christian thought and practice.

Why all these changes? Why the focus on spiritual formation? I see a church that desperately needs a generation of students who understand the battle for truth and righteousness, whose hearts and minds are challenged and prepared to effectively "spread the fragrance of the knowledge of Him everywhere." My prayer is that as you read this

edition of *BryanLife*, you will see God's hand powerfully at work in the lives of hundreds of students, that you will ask God how you can be involved, and you will pray that God will do a work that will revive and increase His church.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephen D. Livesay".

Stephen D. Livesay

A Way For Bryan To Reach

Say "Bryan College" and many alumni will picture Mercer Hall, Rudd Auditorium, and a campus where some kind of construction project seems to happen every few years.

But for a growing number of alumni "Bryan College" means a suite on the second floor of the Krystal Building in downtown Chattanooga, or a classroom at Chattanooga State Technical Community College, a church in Cleveland, Tenn., the Colonnade in Catoosa County, Ga., or Cleveland State Community College's campus in Athens.

In other words, some things about Bryan are changing, and Academic Vice President Dr. Bradford Sample wants to make sure the college administration is ready for what's coming.

Not that anybody will notice right away.

This past fall the board of trustees approved a restructuring of the college's academic divisions into the School of Arts and Sciences (A&S) and the School of Adult and Graduate Studies (AGS).

"On a day-to-day basis, our students probably won't see a difference because academic structure is often invisible to them," Dr. Sample said.



Zacery Brown

Mathematics/Secondary Education, 2001

Current occupation – Principal, East Ridge High School,
Chattanooga, Tenn.

How was Bryan's motto, Christ Above All, reflected in the courses you took? In all of my classes the professors took time to put Christ before everything. They took time to find out how we as students were doing.

What do you consider the strengths of your major? The math professors prepared me to be successful not only in school, but on the state exams. I felt I received an excellent education in mathematics.

What aspect of your education could have been stronger? I wish Bryan would have prepared us for challenging students. How do we reach students who don't care? How do we fight the absent parent? How do we consistently show God's love in a public school setting?

What does "Bryan Community" mean to you? The Bryan community is the one experience I will always be thankful for. To this day my best friends are from my four years at Bryan. The friends I made at Bryan became my brothers.



Jane (Shaver) Wilkey

MBA, 2008 (also, BS, Liberal Arts, 1984)

Current occupation – Vice President, Finance, Suburban Manufacturing Co., Dayton, Tenn.

How long in this field? – 25 years

How was Bryan's motto, Christ Above All, reflected in the courses you took? The MBA professors were very impressive. It was apparent they were Godly men showing care and concern for their students as well as exemplifying God in discussions of the material and how we apply it in our daily lives.

What do you consider the strengths of your major? Since I came into the program with a financial background, I expected financial courses to be easier for me. I was surprised at how in-depth those studies became, and how we were all challenged by the material.

What aspect of your education could have been stronger? With the litigious nature of our world, businesses have to be very careful in the way we handle EVERY process or situation. Knowing of changes, being proactive in monitoring, and diligent in business dealings is vitally important to survival. Greater emphasis on this would be helpful.

What does "Bryan Community" mean to you?

The "Bryan Community" is the people who are part of the loving family of Bryan – current and former faculty and staff, alumni, and supporters. I am proud to be part of it!

The structural changes we are making set the groundwork for significant change, growth, and adaptability in the future. These alterations help us remain compliant with SACSC (the regional accrediting agency, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools) standards and regulations."

But the change was designed with growth in mind. "We are not making changes to stay in Chattanooga, but so we can go to Knoxville and other areas," Dr. Sample said. "We have the structure so we can build on it. If we hadn't made these changes, the organization would have become inefficient."

Although not specifically an element of Vision 2020, the college's master plan for the next decade, these structural changes have been prompted by

the master plan's anticipated growth in the degree completion program and the graduate programs, which have different regulatory requirements than does the traditional undergraduate program.

For example, Dr. Sample pointed out that the new arrangement allows the college to permit relevant differences in the educational requirements for students. "There are different needs for the two (AGS and A&S) groups," he said. "For example, adult students need a math course in statistics rather than algebra or calculus. We don't have to explain 'corporate structure' to someone who has worked in one, while an 18-year-old might not fully understand that concept."

Beefing up the AGS side of the house has both advantages and challenges.

Expanding beyond Chattanooga certainly will bolster the college's enrollment numbers and broaden its name recognition, a benefit demonstrated by the success in the Chattanooga area.



Sam Teasley

Christian Education, 1997

Current occupation – Real Estate

How long in this field? – 5 years

The courses at Bryan were focused on applying the teachings of Christ to our everyday lives. It wasn't just a theoretical idea or a memorization of Christian history, but rather a focus on application of Biblical truth.



Jeffrey Loveland

Business Administration, 1980

Current Occupation – President of The King's Academy

private Christian school in West Palm Beach, Fla.

How long in this field – 31 years

How was Bryan's motto, Christ Above All, reflected in the courses you took?

For me, the greatest example would have to be the faculty and administration at Bryan. The way they treated individuals, particularly myself, was a tremendous example of how Christ himself treated people.

What do you consider the strengths of your major?

The Accounting classes that I took. I was well prepared to manage the day-to-day accounting of a business.

What aspects of your education could have been stronger?

I could have used a more practical course in leading people. This is the most challenging part of running any business.

What does "Bryan Community" mean to you?

I have an administrator and a teacher working for me who are Bryan graduates, and others have been part of our faculty. We were not at Bryan at the same time but there is a camaraderie that we share as graduates of Bryan.

This past fall, approximately a third of the college's total enrollment was in the degree completion program. One day that will change, as Bryan officials envision as many as 3,000 students in AGS programs, with 1,200 traditional students on the Dayton campus.

One of the challenges this kind of growth will bring is to make sure that each student has a Bryan College experience.

To this end, Dr. Peter Held has been named Senior Fellow for Christian Worldview and Professor of Christian Thought and Biblical Studies. In addition to teaching part-time for the Biblical Studies program on campus, he is charged with developing both a formal training program for all new faculty and a chaplaincy program for AGS locations.

"We're going to create a formal orientation program for all new faculty and staff, including Adult and Graduate Studies faculty and adjuncts," Dr. Sample said. "Basically, we will orient anyone who teaches for us to be Bryan faculty who imbibe the need for worldview education as well as discipline-specific teaching."

The chaplaincy program is designed to provide spiritual support for students in AGS programs. "We expect to approach pastors wherever we have programs and ask them to partner with us," Dr. Sample said. "Like our faculty, we would expect chaplains to be evangelical and from a diversity of denominations. They would be trained by us to understand the Bryan mission."

Quentin McCuiston

Musical Theater, 2003

Current occupation –

Actor/retail/caterer

How long in this field –

5 years

How was Bryan's motto, Christ Above All, reflected in the courses you took?

At Bryan, Christ reigning as king was, for the most part, an understanding within that community that informed all subjects.

What do you consider the strengths of your major?

My major was still very new and hadn't been fully fleshed out. However, the basics of the field were all there and the curriculum for the training needed was very practical.

What aspects of your education could have been stronger?

Because my major was so new, there really weren't very many classes that would increase my skill-set for the theater field. This, I'm sure, is something that will be improved as the program grows.

What does "Bryan Community" mean to you?

Bryan always seemed to be an extension of my church family. It was part of the same body in a different setting.





David Barbour

English, 1981

Current occupation –
Self-employed
architectural concrete
precast manufacturer.

How long in this field? –
20 years.

*How was Bryan's motto,
Christ Above All, reflected
in the courses you took?*

This truth was an integral
part of my major. Its proof
was in the lives of the
faculty.

What do you consider the strengths of your major?

The strength of my English major is the exposure to so many
ideas seen by the light of biblical truth.

What aspects of your education could have been stronger?

If I could change anything about my time at Bryan, I would
have changed me. For me to learn as much as I could, I had to
realize what I needed to know. I needed more submission to
my teachers and others.

"Those with academic credentials would be
invited to teach a Bible course that is part of the
degree completion curriculum, and develop a
relationship with a small group of students. They
would come into class periodically, and would
be connected by email with those students. I
believe this will give the students in our non-
traditional programs the best opportunity to
know Christ and to grow in Him."

Dr. Sample said this expansion of vision
and outreach "is a way for Bryan to reach the
community outside of Dayton. "Our motto,
Christ Above All, our faith, our commitment
to our faith and our God are critical elements
which must be transmitted through the Adult
and Graduate Studies programs as well as the
traditional program on campus. Through the
chaplaincy program, the faculty orientation
program, and faculty development, I believe we
will become stronger.

"The result, I believe, will be more people
dedicated to Christ in serious ways."



Beth (Eppinger) Wilkins

Political Communications, 2003

Current occupation – Full-time Mom

How long in this field? – one year

How was Bryan's motto, Christ Above All, reflected in the courses you took?

In most of my classes I think this was an assumed reason for study, and professors
taught with the understanding that the tools they were providing me were to train
my mind and prepare me to use those tools for the glory of God.

What do you consider the strengths of your major?

Having the opportunity to study the communications side of politics provided me
with a fundamental understanding of the intricacies of political strategy. It served
me well in my positions with the U.S. government working on health policy and in
positions I held in business. What I gained from this major definitely gave me an
upper hand in positions I have held.

What aspects of your education could have been stronger?

Having more "hands-on" experience through internships or practicum's would have been really beneficial.

What does "Bryan Community" mean to you?

At Bryan, people came alongside to challenge and teach me, and continue to do so in various ways. Bryan provided an
atmosphere where I thrived and where I was changed in many ways, and that was largely due to what I consider the
Bryan Community.

Graduation *Twice* As Nice

Two graduation services changed the dynamics of commencement on May 8, but the result was the same – 198 more graduates commended to honor the college motto Christ Above All and to make a difference in our world.

College officials decided to split the graduation service as a result of growth in numbers of traditional students and a concentration of

Matt Dee, a Christian thought major from Cordova, Tenn., reflected on the spiritual development graduates experienced. “We were led into deep relationships with God by professors and held accountable by our peers,” he said.

Jeremy Blaschke, a biology major from Clovis, N.M., pointed out the academic and spiritual example of Bryan professors.

“Professors are dedicated to academic excellence, but encourage spiritual growth. We have had daily access to men and women of great faith who are willing to share that with us.”

Olivia Pool, a business administration management major from Powell, Tenn., said the challenge of attending

Bryan made her face her fears and rely on God’s strength. “God has proven Himself strong in my weakness. I’m still weak and feel insignificant because of the task before us, but I can say with Paul, that I will boast in my weakness so the power of God can rest in me.”

Class sponsor Dr. Travis Ricketts encouraged the graduates to “remember the injunction in James 1: Be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to become angry. I don’t want my tongue, my arrogance to hinder someone from coming to the Lord. Like your faculty, you’re still a work in progress.”

As graduates and

their families left the vespers service, members of the Class of 1960 who were honored on their 50th anniversary, prayed for the newest alumni. After a golden anniversary dinner, the “Golden Grads” moved to the patio of Mac’s Café in the student center to pray for the graduates. The following day, each returning member of the Class of 1960 was given a golden anniversary diploma during commencement.

During the traditional graduation ceremony, President Livesay recognized Dr. Bill Ketchersid and Dr. Jack Traylor, both professors of history, who retired that day.

He told the graduates, “I commend you for persevering to earn your degrees. I commend to you the secret of a successful life: humble obedience to God. I charge you to honor the motto of your alma mater, Christ Above All. As



Campus Graduation

adult studies programs in the Chattanooga area. Graduation for students in the School of Arts and Sciences was held at Bryan’s Dayton campus Saturday morning, and a service for graduates of the School of Adult and Graduate Studies was held that afternoon at the Tivoli Theatre in Chattanooga.

Graduation festivities started Friday night with vespers, giving seniors the opportunity to reflect on their years at Bryan and culminating with the traditional ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Millie Jones, an English literature major from Abbeville, S.C., reminded classmates that “A lot of friends were thrust upon you (on entering Bryan). Thank you for encouraging each other to know the Lord better and to know who we are in the Lord.”



Degree Completion/MBA Graduation



you do this, you honor all who have gone before you."

Daniel Zimmerman, an English/secondary education major from Grandview, Tenn., in his commencement address encouraged his classmates to know themselves, and to seek direction—and rest—by walking in "the ancient paths."



"True self-knowledge pertains to a correct understanding of one's identity, purpose, and duties, and it provides the only context in which men can live out their God-given design."

Furthermore, true self-knowledge is nearly impossible without a biblical view of God."

The prophet Jeremiah answers the question, where can we find this self-knowledge, he said. "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." Ignoring that advice leads to human tragedies that result when individuals seek self-knowledge elsewhere, not learning "the truth that St. Augustine knew when he penned, 'You have made us for yourself, oh God, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You.'"

That afternoon, before an audience filling the main level of Chattanooga's Tivoli Theatre, Nneka Gunn, a business administration management major from Chattanooga, spoke for the degree completion graduates. She said she learned early on that members of her Aspire cohort were not just fellow students, but friends.

She also came to understand that "what makes Bryan great is that they do not accept mediocrity. They will not stand for anything

else than excellence. They demand greatness from us all."

She said the degree completion program also taught her that "great accomplishments

do not come with ease. I have learned that it is only through the grace, will, and power of God that this day has materialized, with the support and dedication of the Bryan faculty and my peers."

Benjamin Feliz, an MBA graduate from Cleveland, Tenn., said his experience in the MBA program "has enriched me personally." He said he received "a holistic education, which encouraged a variety of ideas but was undergirded with a strong



1960/2010 Golden Grads

biblical worldview."

As the MBA graduates leave, he said they will face the challenge to "model a strong work ethic and conduct our lives with honor and integrity."

As managers, "let us take with us the skills we have learned to succeed in the marketplace and be shining examples of lives transformed by the power of Christ. We have a hope and a message that the world desperately needs to hear and see."



Molly Gehring and Daniel Zimmerman were presented the P.A. Boyd Award, given to a senior man and woman "whose principles and character have secured for them the highest degree of influence over their fellow students."

Know Thyself: The Ancient Path to Rest

by Daniel Zimmerman

Editor's Note: This is an abridged version of Daniel Zimmerman's graduation address, delivered at the traditional ceremony on the Bryan Triangle May 8.

Days like today are important because they give us the opportunity to ponder the passage of our lives, giving us a better chance to change from who we are to whom we should be. Therefore, they have the potential to be quite formative in the trajectory of our lives, if we will let them.



I wish to offer some truths to consider that I believe are exceedingly important. Particularly, I'm going to commend to you the advice of the great authors of the world (I am, after all, an English major), pointing you to the truth in their words, in the hope that you will make personal commitments to live by this wisdom.

I have two pieces of advice. The first is this: Know yourself. The

second comes from the words of the biblical prophet Jeremiah: "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." It is my firm belief that if you grasp the truth of these admonitions, and choose to live by them, you will live a more godly, productive, and meaningful life.

The self-knowledge I speak of has nothing to do with the airy and self-inflating existential nonsense that was bandied about by Thoreau and Emerson, who told men to look deep inside themselves for truth, for meaning, and for fulfillment. No, true self-knowledge pertains to a correct understanding of one's identity, purpose, and duties, and it provides the only context in which men can live out their God-given design.



Furthermore, true self-knowledge is nearly impossible without a Biblical view of God, and it is the only road to a fulfilling and meaningful life.

If we were to correctly understand our identity, we would come to understand our value not in the cheap slogans of self-esteem peddlers, but in the recognition that, as C.S. Lewis noted, "to be one of the Sons of Adam or the Daughters of Eve is both glory enough to raise the head of the lowest beggar and shame enough to lower the head of the highest king." We are human beings. That is our wealth; that is our poverty.

But our culture often does not understand this paradox. Our nation predominantly does not



believe that men are created in the image of God, thus innately possessing inestimable worth. Because of this, we commit the heinous crimes of abortion and treat men as glorified animals, assigning them value based on beauty, productivity, or financial profitability. On the other hand, because we do not understand that we live in the context of a fallen world, we continue to try the same bankrupt solutions, all of which assume that man is perfectible. Because we culturally have clouded man's IDENTITY, we have sabotaged his value. It, quite simply, does not work.



The second casualty that occurs when men do not know themselves is that they lack an ultimate goal that guides and directs their lives. If they do not know that they are created in the image of God, they certainly will not understand that they have been created FOR a specific reason. When human identity is not anchored in this bedrock truth, people have no alternative than to float

aimlessly on the sea of life, apathetic to any higher purpose, concerned with nothing but satiating their next fleeting desire.

I quite understand the person who may see himself surrounded by such bleak circumstances, feeling deep despair at the state of this world. However, I would like to encourage you that it is in the most hopeless of circumstances that those with a deep and abiding hope stand out like giants in a land of dwarfs. Christians are uniquely positioned to offer legitimate answers to the questions that confront the world today. We must help people KNOW themselves truly. If we do this, we will be able to offer authentic answers to our culture in obedience to Christ's demands for his followers.

This need for real self-knowledge brings up a secondary question: Where can we acquire it? The prophet Jeremiah gives the answer to this question when he says "Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls." The nation of Israel was situated at a crucial impasse in which their choice was between serving God and serving gods of their own making, gods of their own desires, gods of other nations. Jeremiah instructed the Israelites that the answers to their questions lie in the past, not in the present. Notice that the reward for obedience is "rest for your souls," "not the rest that the world gives," but peace in the presence of the



Father. We sit at the same crossroads as the Israelites, faced with the same dilemma, and offered the same promise of peace, provided, of course, that we ground our identity in our adherence to God's rule.

You see, my friends, God cannot and will not be mocked, neither by the openly rebellious nor by the blissfully ignorant. He meant what he said. The good way lies in the ancient paths, not in fame, riches, power, prestige, vocation, or the next "Christian" self-help book with ten easy steps to a better you. The sooner we figure this out the sooner we will have taken the first step toward living spiritually beneficial, culturally relevant, and morally productive lives. In short, we will be living authentically and meaningfully, in a manner that adorns the gospel, as Paul says, making Christianity an attractive alternative to those who do not yet believe.

Make no mistake, the search for the wisdom of the ages is laborious, and the process of coming to true self-knowledge is often painful and embarrassing. But it is the only path to rest, and there is no use complaining of its difficulty or shirking the task. When Christians choose to obey these principles we will become clean mirrors to show men who they were created to be. We will follow in the footsteps of John Milton and "justify the ways of God to man." We will be knowing God and making him known.

I hope to live my life by these two principles, and I invite you to join me. I am confident that those of us who follow these two pieces of advice will one day hear, "Well done, my good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of thy Lord."



Campus News



Film Festival Growing!

A campus effort to recognize Bryan film students has grown to a regional event, complete with an awards ceremony in one of Chattanooga's historic theatres.

The Broad Street Film Festival outgrew the Bryan campus a year



ago when Covenant students joined the effort and the awards ceremony moved to the Tivoli Theatre in Chattanooga.

This year's festival in April included entries from students at Bryan, Covenant, Southern Adventist University, the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, and Chattanooga State Technical Community College. More than 600 persons attended film screenings on April 22, and the awards ceremony on April 24. More than a dozen

films were submitted, including narratives, documentaries and music videos.

Mr. Chris Clark, head of Bryan's technology and film program, said the four-day event "felt like we were doing it for the first time." But the success of the event has encouraged the festival board to look for ways to expand further.

"In the next two to four years, we would like to get high schools involved, and there is talk of a Chattanooga film festival for professionals, not just students," he said.

First Cornelius Award Given



Senior English majors Millie Jones and Daniel Zimmerman were presented the first Richard M. Cornelius Award for excellence

in researching and writing their senior thesis.



The award is named for Dr. Richard M. Cornelius, professor emeritus of English, a Bryan graduate who taught at his alma mater for 38 years before retiring in 1999.

"We were looking for a way to recognize outstanding seniors whose excellence and abilities, as demonstrated in their senior thesis, stood out above the others," explained Dr. Raymond Legg, English Department chair. "We thought that there was no better example of one who pushed students to achieve excellence than Dr. Cornelius, who did that for years and years."

Millie opted to combine research and creative sections in her thesis, "The Beauty of Relationship in the Poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins." As part of her work she included selections of her

original poetry titled "Panorama: A Collection of Poetry."

Daniel's thesis, "To Forgive is Divine: Redemption in *The Tempest*," analyzed biblical themes in the Shakespeare play and countered the critical argument that the play actually was intended as a rebuke to English colonialism.

European Missions Tour

Bryan College has a larger-than-usual international presence this summer, as nearly 70 students or recent graduates will be involved in missions/study abroad programs.

Thirty-four Chorale members accompanied by three faculty-staff couples visited England, France and Switzerland for their quadrennial European missions tour May 10-24.

"We call it our European Missions Tour because it really is a ministry to unchurched, unconverted people, particularly on the continent," Chorale



Members of the Italy study group are pictured in Florence

Director Dr. David Luther said. "In Europe, where 95 percent of the people don't go to church, missionaries will invite the whole community."

Seven students and four English faculty members spent two weeks

in Italy, where students took three classes and visited Venice and Florence.

English Department Head Dr. Raymond Legg said the trip was designed to "deepen appreciation for the major, deepen a sense of community within the major, and most important, get a broader view of what God is doing in the world."

Fifteen students are working in Europe, Africa, and Asia in internships arranged through the Acts Project to gain an idea of missional living using their vocational interests.

Danielle Rebman, who coordinates the placements, said students are working with mentors who serve with a mission as church planters or in business carrying on long-term projects. Jobs include facilitating short-term visits, working in a factory learning about Christian business practices, acting as journalists in Europe, working at a children's home, in sports ministry, and in business offices.

A 15-member group of coaches and members of the men's basketball team were in the Dominican Republic for a week in May, working through SCORE International. The team played basketball, did relief work, visited orphanages and conducted clinics, Coach Don Rekoske said.

3rd Bryan Opportunity Program Dinner A Success

More than 200 alumni and friends of Bryan College attended the third annual Bryan Opportunity Program dinner and concert April 15 to raise



Pictured from left are entertainers Steve Amerson and Laurie Gayle Stephenson, chairman Joseph Decosimo, Bryan trustee chairman John Haynes, and president Stephen Livey.

scholarship funds for Tennessee students.

Vocalists Steve Amerson, who has sung extensively for movies, television and in concert, and Broadway star Laurie Gayle Stephenson presented a concert of sacred and popular songs.

More than \$225,000 has been raised to help cover Bryan's tuition and fees for students from families with annual incomes of less than \$35,000. This school year, 41 students are receiving grants from the Bryan Opportunity Program.

Blake Hudson, Bryan's vice president for advancement, said "We are following up with several people who were unable to attend the event and we should reach the \$250,000 goal shortly."

William Jennings Bryan's *Impact* On Education

by Steve DeGeorge, Ed.D.
Chair, Education Dept.
Bryan College

Most observers would say that the Scopes Trial was the culminating event in the career of William Jennings Bryan. This is not because his career lacked brilliance, for he was three times a presidential candidate, served as Secretary of State under President Woodrow Wilson, and amassed a personal fortune on the popular lecture circuit. However, public interest in the Scopes Trial and the significance of that colossal battle for the U. S. education system, as well as Bryan's untimely death just five days after the close of the trial, sealed this episode of Bryan's life upon the congregate memory of the nation.

Bryan has been identified as a "Fundamentalist" and would have embraced the term for good reason. He was a committed Christian who believed that Scripture is inerrant. This view was continuously challenged at that time by "modernists" or what we now call "liberal theologians" to the point that Christians were compelled to respond. This led to the publication of the "Fundamentals," a basic statement of faith for biblically minded Christians. Regardless of what Fundamentalism has become in recent years, two things were true in Bryan's day: Fundamentalists expressed a commitment to the basic tenets of Christianity, and, it was the unpopular view among most of the journalists and scholars who wrote about the Scopes Trial.

Christian Fundamentalists were sometimes portrayed in the media as ignorant of the world at large. This was certainly not the case



with William Jennings Bryan. He was well aware of the trends in the social sciences and the natural sciences which were "coming of age" at the beginning of the twentieth century. His position as Secretary of State would have brought him into contact with many people across the world who were infatuated with social science and attempting to apply it to all areas of public life from religion to education to government. One prime example of this would be the phenomenon that we now refer to as "Social Darwinism." This was the "scientific" idea that just as organisms evolve and become both more complex and better adapted to their environment, so societies and indeed mankind as a whole would evolve socially into better, more fully adapted cultures.

August Comte had expressed this idea as early as 1826 in his philosophy of "positivism." In Comte's model, mankind progresses through three distinct stages in understanding the world: the theological stage, the metaphysical stage, and finally the scientific stage. This was the "Hope" of the age of Modernity, the belief that both natural and social science held the answers to mankind's problems. World War I had dealt a severe blow to Social Darwinism, but by the 1920's it was being labeled the "War to End

All Wars" and belief in "science as savior" was strong again in intellectual circles.

As we tackle the issues of worldview at Bryan College today, many of us focus our attention on the problems of "post-modernity" and its belief that truth, if there is such a thing, is determined, even created, in the mind of each individual. This is an appropriate battle in which to engage because the implications of this view upon human behavior, cultural development, and religious influence are staggering. However, it behooves us not to forget that the previous dominant worldview known as "modernity" had elevated science and rational thinking to the level of religion. Modernity embraced the idea that God had become obsolete as mankind had developed. It was in that milieu of ideas that William Jennings Bryan lived and moved and had his influence. The perception of many Christian scholars in Bryan's time was that we might be evolving into a post-Christian society. Indeed, that perception was accurate. Bryan, by making articulate arguments against the blind acceptance of evolutionary theory as absolute truth, was actually fighting the battle against the broader evolution of the culture. Would Bryan have articulated this in exactly this way?

It is not possible to know.

Certainly we in the twenty-first century have the advantage of close to a hundred years of hindsight and accumulated evidence from which to draw our conclusions. They say that hindsight is 20/20, but in



W.J. Bryan with Granddaughters

this case even hindsight may be clouded in regard to the issue of what degree of awareness the Christians of Bryan's day had relative to the trends in science and social science. Bryan fought the battle on the front that presented itself, the teaching of evolution in the schools. Beyond that we do not know.

In any case, the Scopes battle was not an isolated fight over the specific idea of teaching evolutionary theory in public schools. It was an expression of a much broader argument about the nature of mankind and the development of society that continues to this day.

Consider some of the educational milestones that occurred during the public life of William Jennings Bryan in and around the turn of the twentieth century: 1883 – considered the beginning of the "Child Study Movement" in the U.S.; 1886 – The first educational psychology textbook published; 1896 – John Dewey opens his lab school at the University of Chicago; 1899 – Dewey publishes *School and Society*; 1900 – Ellen Key publishes *The Century of the Child* which promotes progressive education; 1904 – G. Stanley Hall publishes *Adolescence*; 1905 – "mental age





Cartoons from
E.J. Pace as seen in
William Jennings
Bryan's Seven
Questions in
Dispute, 1924

test" developed by Binet and Simon; 1916 – Dewey publishes *Democracy and Education*, Lewis Terman launches widespread intelligence testing in schools, E.L. Thorndike develops "norms for reading, writing, and arithmetic for comparison across school districts, school attendance becomes compulsory in the U.S.; 1919 – The Progressive Education Association is founded.

These milestones have been viewed as positive or negative over the course of time depending on who is evaluating their impact. In fact, they simply represent a series of changes that were happening in the name of a social science approach to education. The need to bring any or all of these issues to a public discussion was surely something on the minds of leaders in both the traditional and progressive camps. In many ways the Scopes Trial was conceived as a platform for raising these issues to the attention of the public. Transcripts of the trial and reports in newspapers across the country seem to indicate that the trial was in fact a somewhat cooperative effort to do this, right down to the participation of Scopes himself. Such deliberate attempts to

provoke the establishment of legal precedent is not uncommon in the public arena and in fact many Supreme Court cases such as *Brown v. Topeka* and even *Roe v. Wade* are chosen by the court based on their perceived relevance to major issues being debated in the society at large.

For William Jennings Bryan the Scopes Trial was the perfect storm. It provided a stage on which he could represent the views of Christian educators in the midst of significant changes in the way we view and represent the world to our students. Bryan was a person of his times. He was called upon to take a stand on the issues of those times and to let history and, of course, God Himself, be the judge of what transpired. This man who was one of the great voices of his era did not hesitate to make a case for the themes of the day, but he did not live long after the important event by which he is remembered. It gives us all pause to consider whether we are rising to the occasion and fighting

the meaningful battles of our day and time.

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PASSING ON THE MOTTO, CHRIST ABOVE ALL

An overnight decision turned into a life-long relationship with Bryan College that Dr. Eugene Bengtson treasures enough to include the college in his will.

Dr. Bengtson, a 1965 graduate, said he didn't know anything about Bryan until he was talking with a friend one evening who introduced him to her father who was on the college's board of trustees.

"I had been accepted to another college and had been awarded a scholarship," Dr. Bengtson said. But Rev. Lewis Llewellyn told him about Bryan and its motto, asked about his grades, and even arranged for a scholarship.

"The motto, Christ Above All, really appealed to me," he said.

"I attended because of the motto, the financial aid, and the tuition was less than the other college. It was a God thing in more ways than one."

Although he had decided not to become a pastor, he majored in Greek—because he felt the call of God on his life—and English, because he thought he could be a teacher. After two years of teaching, "God put pressure on me to go to seminary. I fought for a week and lost. I told the Lord I would go to seminary, but He would have to show me He wanted me to be a pastor.

He went to Dallas Theological Seminary and toward the end of his time there "the Lord laid on my heart our home town" of Sebring, Fla.

He and his wife, Yetta, and their three children moved back to Sebring where he helped found Bible Fellowship Church, a ministry he led for 35 years before his retirement in June 2009. Today, the church is pastored by his fourth daughter's husband, and Bryan alumnus Andy McQuaid, '77, is associate pastor.

Dr. Bengtson said God's faithfulness to him, his family, and his church over the years influenced his decision to include Bryan College in his will.

"God so wonderfully supplied my needs through faith. Bryan also was gracious to me," he said. "There was not a lot of money to give to students in those days, but out of their grace and their meager student fund they helped me. I walked on campus my sophomore year with \$100; that was all the money I had. I said, 'can you help?' Bryan did what they could. It was enough to encourage me. I worked all the time on campus and at home. Between Bryan and help from my local church and work, I graduated with only a very small loan.

"My desire to include Bryan in my will is because of what Bryan stands for – Christ Above All – along with the academic standards. I want other students to be able to go to school like I did. I want to tie my estate with a portion to Bryan and a portion to my local church.

"As an alum, that means a lot, to see God continually blessing, sending the leadership He has. I'm blessed by what's happening there."

To learn more about how to include Bryan College in your will or estate plans, or to receive a free Will Planning Kit, contact Steve Keck, director of development, at 423-775-7581 or by email at steve.keck@bryan.edu.

Remembering Bryan

by C. Sumner Wemp, 1945x

Bryan had a profound impact on my life. At seventeen years of age I had never heard "Jesus Loves me, this I know," nor ever held a Bible.

At 4 a.m. in a newspaper office amid my terrible profanity, Gene Gaskins asked me to go to church with him the next Sunday. Three weeks later I was saved. One day my pastor said, "You ought to go to Bryan College." That was of God. Three weeks later I left my job as a draftsman with the U. S. Engineers and was at Bryan in 1941.

The first impression of Bryan was awesome. Never had I seen and felt so welcomed and loved by faculty and students. I needed that.

Then in class, "Pop" Levengood made the Bible come alive. He burned into us a hunger to know God's Word. He taught it with passion. We learned! Years later at Dallas Seminary, six of us were attending our first year. Dr. Walvoord called us into his office and said, "You students from Bryan have the best foundation in the Bible of any students we have ever had. What is the answer?" I spoke up and said "Pop Levengood" and all agreed. Dallas never forgot that.

Chapel was the highlight. A missionary spoke to us, and God spoke to me and said, "I want you to leave engineering and preach." I did, and never regretted it.

The meals were far more than meals. We had "bread" boxes of verses. Each would read a verse and we would give the references. I learned scores of verses from that.

Dean Ryther challenged me, as no one had, to be my best for God.

I had to work. My first job was emptying garbage. The next was mopping floors for twenty cents an hour. Dr. Rudd, the president, came to the kitchen with a friend one night while I was mopping. They got a piece of pie and glass of milk. He bowed his head and thanked the Lord for that little bit. He impacted my life with that simple Godly act. I could go on and on with incidents like those that molded my life at Bryan.

I preached my first sermon on Christian service assignment. Little did I know I would one day preach in over 1,500 churches in 70 nations and it all began by training at Bryan. I am eternally indebted to Bryan for it all.



Writers Wanted

If you have been graduated from Bryan for more than 50 years and would like to share memories of your time on the Hill with *Bryan Life* readers, please write between 300 and 400 words and send them to *Bryan Life*, Bryan College, P.O. Box 7000, Dayton, TN 37321 or email to alumni@bryan.edu. Please include a current picture of yourself. While we can't promise to publish every submission, we will consider all for publication in future editions of *Bryan Life*.

Bryan 101



On May 8 we had two graduation ceremonies. The first, for traditional students, was held in the Triangle, where we honored more than 100 graduating seniors and 11 Golden Grads from the Class of 1960. It was a wonderful day of past and future all coming together to celebrate the present.

I congratulated them, and told them they were now entering their next course of study, Bryan 101! I reminded them that as they left the Vespers service Friday night, the Golden Grads were covering them in prayer. They had been well prepared, and

now it was time to apply their knowledge and training. They had a great legacy, a great heritage to follow.

The second ceremony was held at the Tivoli Theatre for the degree completion program and MBA graduates. It was remarkable to see so many finish their education in the midst of work and family. I reminded them that they all had graduate-level work in Real World 101!

Most of them have never been to the campus or participated in any activities on Bryan Hill, so I challenged them to now take the next course in their education, Bryan 101. Come to the campus and see what it is like. It would make sense to know what your alma mater looks like!

Come to think of it, many of you need to come back for a refresher course! As I have said many times before, the core curriculum is still the same: Christ Above All. Commitment to a Biblical worldview and high academic standards are still there. The friendships and relationships are as strong as ever, but they need to be updated.

Now it is YOUR turn to come back and see what the campus looks like! One of our Golden Grads, Annetta McCleod Barger, who came from Wisconsin, had not been here since she graduated in 1960. It was a pleasure to walk her around campus and get her caught up! Memories of the Octagon, the White Chapel, the Henning Museum, and her dorm room in the Ad Building (now Mercer Hall) brought a smile. Her daughters were deeply moved at the level of love and fellowship Annetta felt while she was here.

May I invite you to come back for your refresher this October for Homecoming? There is so much to see; so much has been updated. Even though we will officially open Landes Way, the new townhouse dorms, and the new softball field, and we have other events planned, come back first and foremost to refresh those friendships, those relationships. Come back and enjoy a seat at the table of fellowship in your favorite course,

Bryan 101.

David Tromanhauser

David Tromanhauser
Alumni Director



Moving On

Faculty and staff who left their positions at Bryan College at the end of the school year were recognized at a reception honoring their service to the college. Pictured are, from left, front, Faith Ammen, Kim Tuttle, and Tabitha Bechler. Back are Dr. William Ketchersid, William Wade, Dr. Jack Traylor, Myra Goza, and Kristina Anderson. At the reception honoring those leaving, Ms. Tuttle was introduced as having accepted the position of resident director for Robinson Hall (ladies residence hall on campus).

Lion Tracks

1940s

Dr. LESTER PIFER, '46x, was honored by his church and community in March 2010 on his 90th birthday and his 70th year in the ministry. Dr. Pifer lives in Columbus, Ohio.

RUTH (DEW) SARVIS, '48x, wrote to say she enjoys *Bryan Life*, particularly reading about other former students. "Some of my happiest days of my entire life were during my time at Bryan." She and her husband, Steve, live in Denton, Texas, and will celebrate their 63rd anniversary in July. They have six children.

NELL PEARSON, '49, wrote to say she, **RUTH (KUHN) SIMMONS, '47**, and **WANDA BURCHAM, '49**, enjoyed Homecoming 2009. "I don't know how often alumni who graduated 60 years ago attend," she said. Alumni Director **DAVID**

TROMANHAUSER, '80, says the answer to that question is "Not often enough!"

1950s

ROSCOE MULVEY, '54, was awarded the Legion of Honor with the rank of chevalier by the French government in March 2010. Roscoe, who lives in Harmony, Pa., served in the Fourth Armored Division during battles to liberate France in World War II. In 2004, France began awarding the medal to World War II veterans, and Roscoe was one of a group of 23 honored at the French embassy in Washington, D.C., in March.

1970s

DOUG JEWETT, '77, received a Performer of the Year Award at the mARTies awards luncheon of the

Arts Council of Stuart and Martin counties, Fla., in April. Doug was recognized as "an individual with a proven record of artistic excellence in the performing arts, outstanding civic responsibility, and whose leadership has improved the quality of life in our community through the arts." He and his wife, Sharon, live in Jensen Beach, Fla., where he is minister of music at North Stuart Baptist Church. He also founded and directs the Treasure Coast Community Singers and the Treasure Coast Community Classical Singers.

1980s

DAN BUTLER, '87, and Amy Hohimer, were married Oct. 10, 2009, in Richardson, Texas. Dan and Amy met at their church in January 2005, but didn't become serious until God brought things into focus about four years later.

Dan & Amy Butler & Katy





Lucas Aaron Talley

In addition to Amy, Dan gained a 7-year-old daughter, Katy, and a yellow lab. Alumni at the wedding included groomsmen **STEVE BUTLER, '85; JOHN BUTLER, '96; BRUCE BEATY, '85; and HIEP DINH TRAN, '86.**

DAN HARRINGTON, '89, was ordained a Baptist minister on Jan. 31, 2010. He serves as the youth pastor at Countryside Baptist Church in Clearwater, Fla. Dan and his wife **JAMIE (JEWELL), '90,** have two sons, Chase, 10, and Aidan, 7.

1990s

JONATHAN, '93, and KATHY (SHANNON), '92, FAIN announce the birth of their first child, Arianna Margaret, on Jan. 8, 2010. Arianna weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz., and was 21 inches long. The Fain family lives in Raleigh, N.C.

Arianna Margaret Fain



Wendi & Gordon Johnson

PATRICIA (GREEN), '97, and Nathan TALLEY announce the birth of their first child, Lucas Aaron, on July 1, 2009. Lucas weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz., and was 19 1/4 inches long. The Talleys live in Sale Creek, Tenn.

2000s

DAMIEN and RENEE (REILLY) DASPIT, both '00, have been invited to work with SIL in Thailand after several years of work with Wycliffe Bible Translators in the United States. They are scheduled to attend an intercultural communications course in August, and are praying they can be in Thailand by the end of September.

DR. WENDI BAUMAN, '00, and Gordon Johnson, were married Sept. 20, 2008, in Montreat, N.C. Bryan alumni at the wedding included **TR BLACK,**

'99, who sang; **CHRISTINA DAY, '97,** who read Scripture; bridesmaids **MELINDA (SNEAD) ROWAND, '98; STEPHANIE WISE, '00;** and matron of honor **MINDY (BAKER) MCKECHNIE, '00;** and groomsmen **NATHAN BAUMAN, '98; and ANDREW BAUMAN, '05x.** The Johnsons live in Corinth, Texas.

KRIS, '00, and ERYN (MCCALEB), '02, MCGARY announce the birth of their son, Madigan Luke, on Feb. 5, 2010. The McGarys live in Nashville, Tenn., where Kris is doing post-doctoral work at Vanderbilt University. Kris received his Ph.D. in biology from the University of Texas at Austin, in December 2008. Eryn completed her paralegal certification program from Boston University in June 2010.

JENNY (NORTON), '01, and Emmett LONG announce the birth of their second daughter, Karis, on Sept. 29, 2008. Karis

Madigan Luke McGary





Natalie & Kaitis Long

joined big sister Natalie. The Long family lives in Rome, Ga., where Emmett serves as discipleship pastor at Three Rivers Community Church and works as an insurance agent. Jenny is enjoying the simple life of raising two children.

JENNIFER (MUSSelman), '01, and Bryan **WAITES** announce the birth of their son, Bryan Joseph "Joey," on Aug. 5, 2009. Joey, who was born on his mother's birthday, weighed 8lbs., 13 oz., and was 21 inches long. The Waites family lives in Atlanta, Ga., where Bryan is in finance and Jennifer left the legal field to be a stay-at-home mom.

JONATHAN and **ANNA (NEFF) URQUHART**, both '02, announce the birth of their third daughter, Aubrie Cynthia, on April 2, 2009. Aubrie weighed 9lbs., 4 oz. She joins big sisters Afton Reay, 4, and Ella Carrie, 2.

TIM SHOREY, '03, has been

promoted to director of payment analysis for the Revenue Cycle Services division of MedAssets, Inc. He also recently accepted a position as pastoral intern at Trinity Fellowship Church in Toms River, N.J. His responsibilities there include leading worship and overseeing TFC's media ministry. Tim and his wife, **BROOKE (WILSON), '03**, live in Island Heights, N.J., with their son Timothy, 2.

ANNE WHITE, '05, has completed a three-year missionary term with Trans World Radio (TWR) in their office near Vienna, Austria. She worked for two years as the executive assistant to the director of public relations and for one year as editor of print and web content. On June 1 she began work as a recruiter and member care specialist from TWR's U.S. headquarters near Raleigh, N.C.

DAVID PARK, '08, and **ALLISON CUNNINGHAM,**

'09, were married July 3, 2009, in Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Bryan alumni in the wedding included **GABE FISHER, '07; KAMI (CUNNINGHAM) LIVESAY, '07; ASHLEY (PARK) BAKER, '09; MATT NOEL, '07; MARK BAKER, '08; SARAH URIE, '09; MARK LIVESAY, '06x; and TYLER GAY, '08**. Student **DANI PARK** also was an attendant. The Parks live in Chattanooga, Tenn.

ALLISON HENDRIX, '08, and Joshua Hall were married Oct. 10, 2009, in Dayton, Tenn. Allison teaches dance and piano, and plans to teach stage movement at Bryan beginning this fall. Josh works at Lowe's and plans to study to become a physical therapy assistant.



David & Allison Park

The Waites Family



The Urquhart Family



Joshua & Allison Hall





Faculty/Staff Notes

Dr. Robert Andrews lectured to management and social services students at Emanuel University in Oradea, Romania, in February.

Mr. Bernie Belisle attended the Southeastern Theatre Conference in Lexington, Ky., in March.

Dr. Matt Benson, Mr. Ben Norquist and **Ms. Danielle Rebman** took 20 Acts Project interns and Students Stopping the Trafficking of Persons leaders

to the International Justice Mission Global Prayer Gathering conference in Washington, D.C., in April.

Dr. Jeff Boyce took 29 Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) team members to the SIFE regional competition in Atlanta, Ga. Bryan's team finished second among nine competitors.

Mrs. Valerie Castlen attended the National Postal Forum in Nashville, Tenn., in April.

Dr. Steve DeGeorge has been chosen president-elect of the Tennessee Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges of Teacher Education. He was a visiting team member for the March accreditation visit by the Association of Christian Schools International to Silverdale Baptist Academy in Chattanooga, Tenn. In April, he conducted a board training retreat at the Curtis Baptist Academy in Augusta, Ga.

Ms. Karie Harpest will assume the role of Women's Housing Director in addition to her duties as resident director in Huston Hall.

Mr. Joey Johnson and his wife, Suzanne, traveled with two Bryan soccer players to minister to the Ngabe tribe in Panama during spring break.

Dr. Scott Jones was team mentor for the Break for Change-Nicaragua during spring break.

Mrs. Kim Keck judged the Knoxville Federation of Music Teachers Club competition in February. In March, she took three students to the Mid-South Regional National Association of Teachers of Singing competition.

Dr. Sigrid Luther attended the national conference of the Music Teachers National Association in Albuquerque, N.M., in March. She served as senior high school performance competitions coordinator and ran the national competition finals. She also performed as guest left-hand artist for a "Road to Chopin" teaching demonstration by Ingrid Clarfield.

Dr. Daryl Charles had two essays published recently. "My Criminal Brain Made Me Do It: Biogenetics and the Loss of Moral Responsibility" appeared in *National Catholic Bioethics Quarterly*; and "Pacifists, Patriots, or Both? Second Thoughts on pre-Constantinian Early-Christian Attitudes toward War and Soldiering" was published in *Logos*.

Dr. Kevin Clauson presented his paper, "Why Evangelicals Have Not Liked Austrian Political Economy: Observations of a 'Christian Austrian' Who Has Worked for Rev. Jerry Falwell and Rep. Ron Paul," at the Austrian Scholars Conference in Auburn, Ala., in March. He also had two articles published in the *Liberty University Law Review*: "The Supremacy Clause and Federal Tyranny" and "Justice Roy Moore and the Rule of Law."

Ms. Kim Crowe-Tuttle will be transitioning from her role in the Admissions office to become the resident director in Robinson Hall. This past year she earned her M.S. in Management from Liberty University.

With The Lord

EILEEN (HARTSCHUH) LANGFORD, '43, of Seattle, Wash., died Feb. 24, 2010.

MARVIN V. ENQUIST, '60, of Warm Springs, Ga., died April 6, 2009.

DOROTHY (HARGREAVES) ALLEN, '65, of Marysville, Mich., died April 6, 2010.

J. HAROLD HARRIS, '72, of Hendersonville, Tenn., died in July 2009.

KEVIN SCOTT DAVIE, '84, of Montgomery, NY, died May 26, 2010.

MARK SCHUMACHER, '98x, of Nappanee, Ind., died March 10, 2010.

CANDICE WILLMORE, '09x, of Ooltewah, Tenn., died April 8, 2010.

Dr. Liz Moseley has resigned her position as Director of Counseling Services to join the faculty at Cleveland (Tenn.) State Community College.

Dr. Jeff Myers was keynote speaker for the Midwest Homeschool Conference in Cincinnati, participated in the Q Conference in Chicago, and chaired the Summit Ministries board meeting in Colorado Springs, Colo., in April.

Mr. Matt Meloncon has moved from web programmer to online applications programmer in the IT Services department.

Mr. Michael Nichols attended the Southern Association of College Admission Counseling Annual Conference in Jacksonville, Fla., in April. He serves on the registration committee.

Mr. Ben Norquist served as a panelist for a session on social justice initiatives at the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities' International Forum on Christian Higher Education, in Atlanta in February.

Dr. Ron Petite attended the American Political Science Association's annual Teaching and Learning Conference in Philadelphia, Pa., in February. He presented a paper on "Chivalry and Civility," developed from his chapel presentations with **Mr. Michael Palmer**. In April, Dr. Petite presented a paper, "Civilization at Risk: Seeds of Strife" at the Midwest Political Science Association annual conference in Chicago. He also participated in a panel on "Sovereignty Under Attack: Sub-national and International Forces."

Dr. Dwight Page represented Bryan College at the tercentennial meeting of the DeGraffenried Association, USA, in New Bern, N.C., in April.

Mrs. Polly Revis attended an online class from Lyasis entitled "Changes Ahead with AACR2, RDA and FRBR." Resource Description and Access (RDA), implemented this year, is the new set of guidelines and instructions for cataloging, and FRBR (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records) will inform cataloging guidelines and the creation of future

online catalogs.

Dr. Roger Sanders has published the paper "A Quick Method for Developing a Cognitum System Exemplified Using Flowering Plants" in the online journal *Occasional Papers of the BSG* (www.creationbiology.org). Select the title under "Recent Publications."

In February, **Mr. Leo Sayles** preached at Second Baptist Church in Rockwood, Tenn., presented a message at the National Association of Christian Athletics in Dayton, and led a volleyball clinic in Knoxville, Tenn.

Mrs. Tami Tullberg attended the National Association of College Stores annual conference and Campus Market Expo in Orlando, Fla., in March.

Dr. Todd Wood spoke at churches in England in March, hosted by the Biblical Creations Ministries. In April, he lectured at Messiah College, Grantham, Pa., on "Creation as Science."

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First Base - Pablo Rodriguez

Third Base - Jonathan Davis



Track and Field

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Josh Bradley

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Women

Ericka Simpson 10,000 Meter Run

Men

Josh Bradley 800 Meter Run

Zach Buffington 10,000 Meter Run

Hunter Hall 3,000 Meter Steeplechase

Bryson Harper 1500 Meter Run



AAC All-Conference

Women

Alyssia Lindsay 1500 Meter Run, 800 Meter Run

Ericka Simpson 10,000 Meter Run

Men

Josh Ball 100 Meter Dash, 400 Meter Hurdles, Long Jump, Triple Jump (not pictured)

Josh Bradley 800 Meter Run, 400 Meter Dash

Zach Buffington 10,000 Meter Run, 5,000 Meter Run

Hunter Hall 3,000 Meter Steeplechase

Bryson Harper 1500 Meter Run, 800 Meter Run

Jason McLeod 10,000 Meter Run, 1500 Meter Run

Bryce McGuire Triple Jump (not pictured)

Alex Stephens 3,000 Meter Steeplechase

Drew Thompson 10,000 Meter Run, 1500 Meter Run



Hunter Hall



Bryson Harper



Alyssia Lindsay



Jason McLeod



Alex Stephens



Jason McLeod

Future site of the Lady Lions Softball Team



Bryan Homecoming 2010



Dr. Tom Branson, '80, is married to Connie Reehoff, '82, and they have four children: David, '03, Jack, '04, Andra, '08, and Josiah. Tom studied for the ministry at Bryan, at Grace Theological Seminary, and Trinity Theological Seminary. He received a BA in Greek, a Master of Divinity Degree, and a Doctorate of Ministry.

The emphasis of Tom's ministry is verse-by-verse expository preaching of God's Word. Tom began his ministry in 1974 at Zion Brick in Slaughters, KY. He was youth director at Grace Bible Church in Dayton from 1980-1981. From 1981-1983, he served as youth director at Mottville Bible Church in White Pigeon, MI. In 1984, he began pastoring Pleasant View Baptist Church in Madisonville, KY. Tom is now the pastor of Hanson Baptist Church in Madisonville, where he has been since February, 1989.

Mark Jones, '85, will be leading us in worship. Mark is the worship pastor at Trinity Bible Church, in Richardson, Texas, and holds a Master's of Christian Education degree from Dallas Theological Seminary. Mark has been in full-time pastoral ministry for over 22 years, and on the staff at Trinity for 16 of those years. Originally from New Jersey, he and wife Rebecca have been married for 19 years and have 3 teenagers. Mark has ministered in



churches in Tennessee, Maine, New Jersey and Texas, has led worship up and down the East Coast at camps, youth retreats and conferences, and has also traveled overseas to India and Africa to minister to pastors and worship leaders. Mark loves to write about lifestyle worship, and minister through song, and can be found on the internet sharing both. (www.worship-lifestyle.blogspot.com and www.youtube.com/user/mrlna2008)

Homecoming Schedule

Friday, October 1

- **Registration** **10:00 am-7:00 pm**
Second floor, Latimer Student Center (next to bookstore)
Come sign in, see who's here, get a 15% off coupon for the Bryan College Bookstore, and receive a free alumni mug or other great gift!
- **Alumni Golf Tournament** **11:30 am**
Dayton Golf & Country Club – Swing a club with your buddies while renewing old friendships. Lunch is included along with goodie bags. Reserve your team of 4 today! If you do not have a team, we can place you in a foursome.
- **Campus Tours for Teens of Alumni** **3:00-5:00 pm**
- **Lion Cubs** **5:30-9:00 pm**
Drop off & pick up Cubs in Mercer Hall main lobby
For children ages 3 - 11. Bryan College students will teach Bible stories and show your cubs how to make some great crafts. This time is designed for parents to enjoy fellowship with classmates while your children have some fun of their own. Includes dinner and snacks.
- **Good Ol' Days Dinner** **5:30 pm**
Rhea County Room, Latimer Student Center – Classes 1969 & previous.
Enjoy a delicious served dinner as you reconnect with old friends and make new ones.
- **Class of 2010 Welcome Back Dinner** **5:30 pm**
Spoele Café – Come enjoy a casual dinner with classmates as we welcome you back as our newest alumni.
- **Milestone Reunions** **6:00 pm**
Brock Hall – All class years are welcomed to this dinner! Highlighting the classes of 1970, 1975, 1990, 1995, 2000 and 2005 – Fellowship with classmates!
- **30th Reunion Dinner** **6:00 pm**
Mac's Cafe – Class of 1980! David Tromanhauser says this is the "Class of the Social Elite" and thinks that his reunion will outnumber the Class of 1985's 25th Reunion....if's on!
- **25th Reunion Dinner** **6:30 pm**
Library, 2nd floor – Class of 1985! Yes, it has been 25 years since we walked the halls of Bryan as students and for some of you the first time you will return "home." Our esteemed Alumni Director has issued a challenge (see above); let's bring it, Class of 1985! We want an awesome turnout, so please make your plans now to come and renew friendships.
- **Varsity Volleyball** **7:00 pm**
Bryan vs University of Mobile
- **Coffee House** **8:00 pm**
Latimer Student Center Dining Hall – Enjoy our coffee bar and dessert





with friends from every class from Bryan College. Featuring hits from the 50's. Sweet treats and sweet fellowship!

- **Alumni Soccer** **8:00 pm**
Main soccer field – Alumni vs. Alumni! Ace bandages and ice packs are available upon request!
- **Alumni Rugby Game** **8:00 pm**
YMCA Field: Ouch!
- **Alumni Men's & Women's Basketball Game** **9:00 pm**
Summers Gymnasium – Alumni vs. Alumni - feel the sweat, feel the heat, feel the pain. Make sure to pack your Advil!
- **Alumni Volleyball** **9:30 pm**
Practice Gym – Alumni vs. Alumni - it's time to rethink those spandex shorts!

Saturday, October 2

- **Pocket Wilderness Hike** **7:30 am**
Meet in front of Latimer Student Center by 7:15 am. Make sure you have a ride as we caravan over to Pocket for a guided hike through one of the most beautiful trails in Dayton. Please wear appropriate shoes and bring a bottle of water!
- **Registration** **9:30-10:30 am & 1:00-5:00 pm**
(closed during New Entrance Dedication and Bryan Commons Celebration)
(Lunch tickets will be available at tailgate lunch.)
Second floor, Latimer Student Center (next to bookstore) – Come sign in, see who's here, get a 15% off coupon for the Bryan College Bookstore (last chance to shop in our bookstore), and receive a free alumni mug or other great gift!
- **Campus Tours for Teens of Alumni** **9:00-10:30 am**
Meet at Alumni Registration Booth
- **Alumni Choir Rehearsal** **9:00 am**
Choir Room – Dr. David Luther will lead choir/chamber alumni along with fall Chorale as you prepare to sing at the New Entrance Dedication and the Alumni Dinner & Awards. Make a joyful noise!
- **New Entrance Dedication/
Bryan Commons Celebration** **11:00 am**
Highway 27 & Richland Street – The moment we have all been waiting for! Celebrate with us as we dedicate our new college entrance! Ribbon cutting ceremony with Brett Landes. Shuttles from the front of Latimer Student Center will take you to the new entrance starting at 10:15 am (and will bring you back if you are unable to walk up the road). Also, we will be celebrating our newest residences which grace the west side of campus off Landes Way!

• Tailgate Lunch

Noon

Practice Soccer Fields – Enjoy a BBQ lunch for the whole family on the field while you visit with your faculty favorites! Festivities will include a bouncy playground for the kids, balloons, temporary tattoos, good eats, great fellowship and much more!

• Men's Soccer

2:00 pm

Main Soccer Field – Bryan College Varsity men square off against Virginia Intermont. Come cheer on our Lions!

• Lion Cubs

5:30-9:00 pm

Drop off & pick up Cubs in Mercer Hall main lobby

For children ages 3-11. Bryan College students will teach Bible stories and show your cubs how to make some great crafts.

• Alumni Dinner & Awards

6:00 pm

Latimer Student Center Dining Hall – Celebrate our heritage of being a Bryan Lion. Enjoy a delicious dinner as you hear what is ahead for Bryan College from President Livesay & alumni director David Tromanhauser. We will also be inducting alumni into the Sports Hall of Fame, including **Carlos Vega, '81** into the Soccer Hall of Fame. We are taking nominations for "Alumnus of the Year" at bryanalumni.org. "Young Alumnus of the Year" will be presented to a younger alum who is making a difference in today's world. So be sure to go online and look at the criteria for these and cast your vote today!

• 5th Annual BC Bonfire & Live Music

9:00 pm

Location to be announced. Toast marshmallows, make a s'more, drink some cocoa, listen to some great music and enjoy old & new friends. Current students will also be there to meet you!

Sunday, October 3 (No Lion Cubs offered)

• Alumni Chapel

10:00 am

Rudd Auditorium – This is always the highlight of our weekend and a great way to end your Homecoming with us. **Dr. Tom Branson, '80**, will be speaking, and **Mark Jones, '85**, will be leading us in worship.

• Sunday Brunch

11:30 am

Latimer Student Center Dining Hall – Brunch is served! Walk over to our Dining Hall for the best food and best deal in town. Meal, drinks and dessert for:

Adults	\$6.50
Children 6-12 years	\$3.00
Children 5 years and under	Free

Pay at the door.

Lion Fast Pass	\$35
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(Includes Friday dinner, tailgate lunch, Saturday dinner; ages 12 and up, free Lion Cubs for kids 3-11.)

Ala Carte Tickets

Alumni Golf	\$60
Friday Dinners	\$20 (2010 dinner \$10)
Tailgate Lunch	\$5.00
Saturday Dinner	\$20

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